

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR ORF DOCUMENTARIES

ORF wins “TV Network of the Year” and receives multiple awards and nominations for its outstanding documentaries.

VIENNA – ORF-Enterprise is proud to share esteemed international recognition for excellence in documentary filmmaking. At the US International Awards 2025 in Los Angeles, ORF was named “TV Network of the Year” and honored with awards and nominations for the outstanding documentaries **“Saalbach-Hinterglemm – Where Nature Comes Out On Top”** and **“From Black to Green – A Chimney Sweep’s Journey”**.

GOLD AND SILVER FOR ORF

The “Universum Nature” documentary **“Saalbach-Hinterglemm – Where Nature Comes Out On Top”**, a co-production by ORF and Interspot Film, was awarded Gold in the category *Documentaries & Reports – Environment, Ecology & Sustainability*. The film explores the delicate balance between wildlife and human needs in Saalbach-Hinterglemm, home to the 2025 Alpine Ski World Championships, and highlights the ongoing efforts to harmonize the co-existence of humans and wildlife.

“From Black to Green – A Chimney Sweep’s Journey”, directed by Alexander and Nadeschda Schukoff, also received two Silver Awards in the *Documentaries & Reports* categories *Environment, Ecology & Sustainability* and *Safety*. This ORF documentary chronicles the evolution of chimney sweeps from traditional cleaners to key energy consultants aiding the transition to renewable energy while also exploring their origins, their symbolism as good luck charms and the significance of their Habsburg belt buckles.

NOMINATION FOR SUSTAINABLE EFFORTS

The Wildscreen Panda Awards 2025 celebrate excellence in natural world storytelling across seventeen categories. This year, the ORF “Universum Nature” blue-chip documentary **“Saalbach-Hinterglemm – Where Nature Comes Out On Top”** was nominated for the *Sustainability Award*. This nomination is both an honor and a testament to ORF’s dedication to impactful environmental storytelling and its ongoing efforts to raise awareness on sustainability issues.

ABOUT ORF-ENTERPRISE

ORF-Enterprise's Content Sales International serves as preferred partner for broadcasters and platforms around the world as a one-stop-shop for high quality content offering a wide range of titles from all genres: Blue-Chip Documentaries, TV-Series and Movies, Children's Programs, Music as well as scripted and non-scripted Formats.

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The portfolio comprises four national television stations, three national radio stations, Austria's leading website ORF.at and the On-Demand Service ORF ON as well as the magazine ORF nachlese and ORF TELETEXT.

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The program catalog targets the international television and media industry, comprising TV, VOD, DVD and ancillary rights of ORF's documentaries, TV series and movies, children's shows and music programs.

A powerful presence at the annual well-known fairs MIPCOM, Sunny Side of the Doc, NATPE Budapest and Avant Première is part of our daily routine.

The whole selection of the programs distributed by ORF-Enterprise can be found easily on our website. Here you get detailed information such as cast, synopsis, awards as well as important technical details at any time.

SUMMARY:

- At this year's US International Awards, ORF was named "TV Network of the Year".
- **"Saalbach-Hinterglemm – Where Nature Comes Out On Top"** won Gold in the category *Environment, Ecology & Sustainability*, while **"From Black to Green – A Chimney Sweep's Journey"** won Silver in the categories *Environment, Ecology & Sustainability* and *Safety*.
- **"Saalbach-Hinterglemm – Where Nature Comes Out On Top"** was honored with a nomination for the *Sustainability Award* at the Wildscreen Panda Awards 2025.
- The documentaries are distributed worldwide by ORF-Enterprise (contentsales.ORF.at)